

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

June 15th & 16th, 2019
Feast of the Holy Trinity



Message from our Pastor

Happy Feast of the Holy Trinity and Happy Father's Day!!!

The Feast of the Holy Trinity is the central doctrine of our faith. All other teachings of the entire Catholic Church flow out of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Remember, we worship One God that is 3 Persons. They are not three separate gods (polytheism). And they are not simply three modes of being of the same God (like ice/water/vapor...that is modalism and is the wrong way to think about it). Three distinct persons and One God. I know it is hard to understand but that is because it is God, and if you cannot understand astrophysics, you certainly aren't going to be able to fully understand something infinitely more complicated, the inner workings of God. We can understand some about it, but we cannot understand it all, He is just too complex, and our minds are too simple. It is like trying to pour an ocean of water into a single cup (we are the cup) ...you just cannot understand it all.

Secondly today is Father's Day. So allow me to say a few things about being a dad.

Being a dad today is not easy. I hear that back in the day maybe 75-100 years ago men were treated with respect and fathers were

honored in the household. Well that has largely gone out the window these days.

Every single sitcom I watch (I must admit I do not watch many...actually none, because they are a lot of trash...but I do flip through them or can tell a lot just by reading the title of the sitcom or movie) the man or father is portrayed as an absolute idiot.

Remember "Leave It To Beaver?" Remember the dad, how honorable and decent he was. He knew the right answers and told the kids what to do. Him and his wife had a loving and respectful relationship.

From what I can tell, when men and fathers are portrayed in a sitcom these days the dad is portrayed as an idiot. He is usually wrong about everything. The kids have to correct him on everything. Or his wife has to direct and drive his life like she is his commanding officer. It is ridiculous.

You may think this is simply a goofy sitcom, who cares. But remember art reflects culture. Sitcoms and tv are a form of artistic portrayal and what they portray are the prevailing opinions and thinking in culture.

So just like I did on Mother's Day, when I advised men/fathers and children how to honor moms in their life, so now on Father's Day let me give a little advise to women/mom's and children on how to honor fathers/dads.

1. Women/wives – do not nag your husbands!!! This is a common trope but it is true. Men and women have different priorities in life. This not a bad thing. It actually helps balance things in family life. Wives should encourage their husbands and help them in their role as they lead their families and attempt the task that God has set before them, which is to die for their families. Yes, that's right. Men/husbands are called to die for their families, and wives are supposed to help them with that, not always tell them how they are failing at that. So mothers/women - pick your battles. Not everything needs to be a 10 in regards to importance. And remember that your children will never honor their father unless they first see their mother honor their father.

2. Children – obey your father!!!! It is not a democracy!!!! You have to do what he says!!! If you do not like it then you are welcome to move out the day you turn 18 years old. Your father is not obliged to cater to your every wish and feeling. He is a provider and a leader and shows you how to lay down your life for your family. But he is not responsible to get you whatever you want whenever you want, and when he tells you to do chores or whatever he tells you, you HAVE TO DO IT!!! There is no point in arguing as you have no leverage. He and your mother pay all the bills and provide everything for you. All you do is consume. They go to work and get up very early and put up with all kind of crosses at work and in daily life and everything they do is to provide for you. So BE GRATEFUL!!! THANK THEM AND GET OFF YOUR BACKSIDE AND HELP THEM IN ANY WAY YOU CAN TO MAKE THEIR LIFE EASIER. One day you will likely be a parent and will see how just of advice this is. But for now if you don't feel it, just do it!
3. Grandchildren – sit at the feet of your grandfathers and inscribe what they say into your heart. We as Americans are quickly losing the "greatest generation." We just celebrated the 75th anniversary of DDay. This generation as well as those shortly thereafter can teach young people today soooooo muuuucccchhhh about perseverance, hard word, sacrifice, courage and being tough in face of challenge. They were tough. They sacrificed in face of threat and challenges. And they did it without hesitation or complaining. My grandfather had 4 jobs at one time. Four!!! Young people today complain because they cannot afford a 3000sqft house when they graduate college...these guys worked like dogs just to provide food for their families. Learn from them and have your perspective changed. You will be more grateful for what you have and will be happier in your life.

Thank you, dad, for all your sacrifices. Every single cross you have carried for your family has directly translated into increasing the character and opportunities of your children and family. You sacrifice in hidden ways and demonstrate what it means to be a man and especially a Christian man. May God reward your sacrifices with a glorious recompense when you see Him in Heaven. Amen!

Fr Rossi

Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm
& Sundays at 10:45am

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession: Saturdays at 4:30 pm
or by appointment.



News & Announcements:

Father's Day: Please plan to attend our Fathers' Day Picnic Lunch on Sunday after mass. We will be grilling up hot dogs and serving your picnic favorites for all to enjoy. Our religious education coordinator Donna Baird will lead children on a special trip to our local fire house for children to meet the firemen and check out the fire engines! Please join us!

Seeking Volunteer:

"I am looking for a volunteer to coordinate our new shower outreach to the poor at St Peter. You do not have to be a St Peter parishioner. I am looking for a coordinator. We are going to be beginning our shower outreach soon (we recently completed our showers downstairs at St Peter) and I need someone to volunteer to be our head coordinator of our program. We will start slow (time commitment being a few hours per week total...approximately 3). Please pray about if God is asking you to do this for Him. There is someone God wants to do this. Is it you? Please email me if you are interested or have any questions
- Fr Rossi"

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Baptisms - Baptisms are held during the Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Baptism class is required prior to baptizing your first child. Upcoming class dates are 7/7, and 10/6. If you are interested in attending a class or scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner. Please note you may attend class prior to the birth of your baby\



Church Support as of 6/9/19

Weekly

Actual	\$4,330.00
Budgeted	<u>\$3,981.00</u>
Difference	\$349.00

Year to Date

Actual	\$163,354.80
Budgeted	<u>\$199,050.00</u>
Difference	-\$35,695.20

Attendance:

6/8/19 = 34 6/9/19 = 151

The Next Sharing Sunday is:

**Mark your calendars the next
Sharing Sunday is July 7th.**
Remember your non-perishable
food items.

Table in basement for drop off.



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